

16,260 Servicemen Will Get Ballots

Lower Merion Leads Montgomery County In Soldier Registration

A total of 16,260 persons in the military service from Montgomery County will be eligible to vote under Pennsylvania's new absentee military ballot system, it was announced by the County Board of Elections, composed of County Commissioner Fred C. Peters, Foster C. Hillgass and Raymond K. Mensch.

The total is complete with the exception of one election district out of the 191 districts in the County.

Lower Merion Township, with 2,502 persons registered at the conclusion of Military Ballot Day last Friday, led the County with the largest number of its sons and daughters in the service from the 162 townships and boroughs. Cheltenham Township was second with 1,556 with Abington Township a close third with 1,553. Norristown reported 1,295 and Pottstown 1,251.

The Borough of Narberth reported 364 from its three election districts.

Military ballots will be mailed to persons in the service whose names and addresses were obtained by Civilian Defense canvassers or presented to local election boards by friends and relatives. Mailing of ballots will begin about

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'Thought You Were Never Coming', Flier Tells Pope in Staircase Audience

The announcement said Pope Pius XII would grant an audience at noon to members of the military forces.

So Lt. William L. Rittenhouse, 27, of 511 Wynwood Rd., Merion, a B-25 pilot, turned up at the Vatican at 11 A. M. with 1,000 American and British soldiers and nurses.

Tells About Meeting

This week, home on furlough after completing European missions, he told about it.

"I waited until near 1 P. M. and then began to get weak in the knees, so I started to leave the big audience room by the only stairway," he said. "At the foot of the stairway I met His Holiness, coming across the courtyard."

"I was so taken by surprise that I said, 'I thought you were never coming.'"

"His Holiness stopped, and ex-

Gets New Post



Henry D. Harral

Harral To Become Lewistown Mgr.

Planning Expert Will Leave Lower Merion August First

Henry D. Harral, secretary and engineer of the Lower Merion Township Planning Commission and Chairman of the 4th and 5th War Loan Drives in Montgomery County, has resigned his position with the Township, effective August 1, to become Borough Manager of Lewistown.

Lewistown, a community of 15,000 population, is located in the central part of Pennsylvania not far from State College. Employed by the township for the past 12 years, Harral is a graduate of State College. He is chief civil and water engineer in the Township Civilian Defense setup and was largely responsible for the new zoning ordinance and the building code adopted in recent years by Lower Merion. He worked in many real estate developments under the Township Ordinance, prepared an agreement aimed at preservation of the Mill Creek valley and performed other jobs of note for the township.

During the second and third War Loan Drives, Harral served as co-chairman and chairman for the Lower Merion-Narberth area and then moved on to Norristown to take charge of the organization work in the County as Chairman of all Montgomery County in the 4th and 5th Drives.

Harral was regarded as an authority on zoning and planning and addressed Post-War Planning for the greatest good for the greatest number, and they will not sense the vulgarity of their recitations. This, therefore, seems like an appropriate moment to say that we will not join in any such chorus. The men who gave their lives on the Normandy beaches were Republicans, Democrats, single-taxers, Dodge fans, CIO men, labor-baiters; graduates of Yale and CCNY and PS 168 and reform schools and slums and country clubs, with as

Motor Mechanics Class Starts July 17

The Motor Mechanics Classes of the Red Cross will be held on Monday, July 17th; Wednesday, July 19th; Monday, July 24th; Wednesday, July 26th, from 7:30 P. M. until 9:30 P. M., at the Dobbins Vocational School, 22nd and Lehigh Avenues.

The course will consist of: 2 hour lecture on safe driving; 2 hour lesson on tire changing, checking fuses, lights, oil, gas and the inflation; 4 hours checking motor trouble; 6-8 hours credit for first day on production truck. (Map reading, etc.)

Remington Is Named Insurance Manager

Harry G. Remington, for 12 years a resident of Narberth, has been appointed manager of the Syracuse agency of The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. It was announced Thursday.

A graduate of Brown University, Mr. Remington joined the Mutual Life in 1936 as a representative of the Philadelphia agency, transferring three years later to New York City to assist in agency training.

Jr. Red Cross To Sponsor Classes

The Junior Red Cross of the Main Line Branch is starting classes in art work, sewing, and surgical dressings, two days a week at the Red Cross headquarters in Ardmore.

The art work classes will be held every Monday morning from 9:30 to 12, and Thursday morning from 9:30 to 12, the sewing and surgical dressings classes will be held. The surgical dressings are for the Valley Forge Hospital.

Pope's Profile on Medal

The medal has a representation of St. Christopher on one side with a profile of Pope Pius XII on the other. The holy card contains a representation of the present pope.

Rittenhouse was graduated from Lower Merion High School in 1936. attended William and Mary College, worked for the Scott Paper Company in Chester, and was commissioned in Texas in April, 1943. His wife is the former Gretchen Clay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph V. Clay, Glenview and Old Gulph Rds., Bryn Mawr.

Narberth Exceeds Fifth Loan Quota

Placed Third in Number of Bonds Sold in Area

Purchasing a total of \$153,485 in bonds, Narberth exceeded its self imposed quota in the Fifth War Loan Drive which ended officially last Saturday as far as active solicitation is concerned.

The Borough was well up among the leading districts of the Lower Merion-Narberth area in total sales, placing third in the number of bonds sold with 409.

Sales of E. F. and G. bonds through July 31 will be credited to the drive and subscriptions are still coming in at the Bond Booth and to solicitors.

The Booth, staffed by volunteers in charge of Mrs. Charles B. Stout, Co-Chairman for the Borough and booth chairman for its sponsor, the Women's Community Club, sold a total of \$35,000 during the campaign, representing 283 bonds.

Beginning this week, the Booth will be open from 9:30 A. M. to 1 P. M. instead of till 4 or 4:30 due to vacations and the heat wave.

The Narberth Theatre lent its facilities and cooperated with the Bond Drive this Thursday night by staging a special Bond Premiere, featuring Mickey Rooney in "Andy Hardy's Blonde Trouble." Tickets for the show were available to all bond purchasers in the borough and solicitors.

Sales during the last week of the drive hit a new high with the National Bank of Narberth reporting a total of \$37,375 and the Narberth Post Office listing sales of \$5,900 for a total for the week of \$43,275.

Solicitors sales for bonds issued at the bank amounted to \$8,425 with "over the counter" sales including many sold by the Bond Booth, amounting to \$35,000.

In addition, solicitors sold \$8,500 in bonds other than the usual types. One sale of several thousand was made to the Narberth Fire Company for a reserve fund of bonds from a new set of fire equipment which is set aside for the purchase of new equipment when it can again be obtained. The investment by the Fire Company, it was pointed out, represents only a portion of the funds which will be needed to purchase the new apparatus.

Mrs. Stout and Robert M. Cameron, co-chairmen for the Borough, expressed their appreciation and thanks to all workers for the Drive and all residents who purchased bonds in the community by helping Narberth to meet its share of the Township-Borough quota.

200 Sworn In as Junior Policemen

Training Period Started Monday; Leaders Named

Two hundred boys were sworn in as members of the Haverford Township Junior Police Corps at a special ceremony Saturday afternoon at Haverford Township Senior High School. Samuel Siegle, Superintendent of Police, officiated, and police cards were issued to the boys on completion of preliminary training they will receive official badges.

John S. Sears, special agent in charge of the Philadelphia Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, spoke to the boys on the necessity and need for such an organization as the Junior Police Corps in building up better and stronger men. He explained the methods of handling clues in the solving of crimes by the F. B. I. and cited four different cases of which he had worked, to illustrate his point.

John W. Hill, Jr., Chief of the Corps, acted as master of ceremonies, and the invocation was given by the Rev. Frederick L. Fritsch, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Manoa. Benediction was given by the Rev. Father John P. Cahill, pastor of the Annunciation Church, Brookline.

The inspectors and instructors were introduced to the assembly. The precinct inspectors are: Allan Postelwitz and Harold Rolin, Precinct 2; Louis Hart; 3, Floyd Yetzer, 5, Emory Swift; 6, Samuel Mink, K. Hobart Roache will instruct in use of fire arms. Officer Samuel Arrell in police judo and wrestling; Dr. R. L. Abernethy in school; Captain Joseph Broomall, in military drill and discipline; Dr. J. Evans Scheele is medical advisor and Detective Sergeant Neil McFadden will teach finger printing. Allison Cornog will instruct in sports and games; Albert Pearce on legal matters; the Rev. Sheldon Davis and Father Cahill, will be the spiritual advisors.

Junior Police activities started on Monday afternoon military drill and discipline were stressed. Instructions for the second week will include finger printing, police, fire and traffic and on Saturdays fire arms instructions will be given on the police range to the various precincts.

Hill announced that the location of the Junior Police Headquarters are as follows: Precinct 1, Manoa Fire House; 2, St. Faith's Episcopal Church, Brookline; 3, Towne Building, Darby Road near Eagle Rd., Oakmont; 4, Chestnutwood School; 5, Brookline School; 6, Preston School.

The Junior Police was organized by Superintendent Siegle to instill a sense of responsibility of citizenship in the boys and to provide recreational facilities. The organization has the support of civic, church and service organizations in the township.

Highland Hall Sold

"Highland Hall," Rosemont, home of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Grant Snowden and one of the Main Line's most exclusive social centers, has been sold to the Booth School of Devon, a country day school for children. The transaction was made through Harold P. McFarland of Merion.

Schedule Programs At Robin Hood Dell

The fifth week of Robin Hood Dell's 15th season—July 17 to 21—will provide plenty of diversity and interest for the masses with programs containing a wealth of numbers strongly established in the favor and affections of the public.

There will be three conductors: Dean Dixon, Vladimir Golschmann and Sigmund Romberg—and five soloists including four famed American singers and an outstanding young American violinist.

Dixon, prominent young American Negro conductor, who has led the New York Philharmonic and other major orchestras with notable distinction, will be on the Dell podium on July 17, with Anne Brown, soprano, and Todd Duncan, baritone. Golschmann, conductor of the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, paying a return visit to the Dell and scheduled to lead most of the concerts during the final three weeks of this Summer's seven weeks' series, will direct an all-Russian orchestral ball on July 18, and a concert on July 21, highlighting Isaac Stern, violinist in Beethoven's D major Concerto. Romberg, noted as the composer of many successful and tuneful operettas and as a versatile conductor of "Pop" concerts, is to take charge on July 20, with Jan Pearce, Metropolitan Opera tenor, and Margaret Speaks, soprano.

Capt. Cook Cited; Gets Silver Star

Former Narberth Man, Ranger Officer, In the Invasion

Capt. Harvey J. Cook, 26-year-old Narberth resident, has been awarded the Silver Star and has received a citation for gallantry in action on the coast of France during the first two days of the invasion, June 6-8.

Cook, a graduate of Lower Merion High School and Michigan State College, is the son of a roofing contractor, Harvey J. Cook, 28, Narberth, who is living in the United States and is an outstanding baseball catcher at Michigan State and played with Paoli and Narberth in the Main Line League.

A Ranger battalion officer, Capt. Cook mailed his medal to his mother, Mrs. Cook, in Detroit. He wrote that he also acquired a "pretty red flag with a black swastika on it. 'He didn't explain the circumstances but did say that he obtained it from a Nazi headquarters. He also said he had a belt for a souvenir.

"There are no words to express what he went through—so I'll let that slide for now," he wrote to his wife. "But the Germans gave me a good scrap for the first few days. They came right when they wanted to. Our outfit landed with the first wave ashore on D-Day, and we did a helluva fine job and everybody in this part of the Army was proud of us."

"It's been cold and misty most of the time since we landed. The country is pretty even but the weather is lousy. Even England would look like hell now."

The captain wrote that he had attended church the day before (June 18). "Another captain (Protestant) and I went to Catholic services. Somehow, those of us who were in the church that day on D-Day have sort of gotten into the church spirit. It makes you think when you see men you've lived with killed right beside you."

Capt. Cook was commissioned in the Army shortly after being graduated from Michigan State in 1940.

Robert Compton Died Of Wounds in Action

Parents Notified

Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Compton, 310 Essex Ave., Narberth, received word July 6, that their son, Seaman 2/c Robert A. Compton, Jr., 18, died in the South Pacific on June 29, 1944, while in action. He was buried at sea.

Seaman Compton was attached to an amphibious landing craft unit. He entered the service in October, 1943, and received training in New York and Virginia.

Meanwhile Seaman Compton would hold up the issuance of any more permits to erect garages until he received instructions on the ordinance.

Hungry Burglar Takes Milk and Auto

That was a hungry burglar that got into the home of Mrs. L. Thomas E. Spence at 356 Meadow Lane, Merion, Sunday night.

First he raided the icebox and helped himself to a glass of milk. Then he took the keys to the car from a box on a hallway table. The burglar made his way to the garage and drove away.

He left the refrigerator door open.

Delancey Cameron Observes Birthday

Delancey A. Cameron, Montgomery Ave., and Haverford St., Haverford, observed his birthday on Tuesday. Mr. Cameron, a graduate of Yale in the class of 1891, is employed at the Camp's Ship Yard, Philadelphia. In 1942-43, he was connected with Ford, Bacon & Davis in the construction of war plants in the Middle West and Texas.

Manoa Deadlocks Narberth For 1st Place As Ardmore Hands Champs 11-5 Setback

Thanks to the surprising showing of the Ardmore Lions, the Main Line Baseball League flag chase is a deadlock between Narberth and Manoa with a free-for-all situation existing among the other clubs for the two remaining playoff positions.

Ardmore, which couldn't buy a bit of its previous games, exploded with a vengeance last Sunday to blast Jim Craig, Narberth ace hurler, off the mound in a 11-5 rout. The team's last game, a 10-8 slugfest at Collegeville.

Collegeville tackles Manoa on the latter's diamond while Brookline invades Narberth and Barline invades Manoa.

"I said we'd come out of our hitting slump and when we did it would be just too bad for our opponent," chortled happy Al Mueller, co-manager of the Lions. "We had to win that one to stay in the fight for the playoffs. It did give us a morale, pulled us together as a team and I think you'll see a cause more trouble on our last lap around the circuit."

Manoa's victory, moving into a tie for first place with the borough as a result of the shading Stan Zelusky in an old fashioned pitcher's duel for a 1-0 victory over Bartram at Veterans Park.

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Scout Plans Were Discussion Topic

Executive Committee And Neighborhood Commissioners Met On Sunday

Plans for future activities of the Main Line Boy Scouts were discussed at a combined meeting of the District Executive Committee and Neighborhood Commissioners, at the farm of Dr. Charles E. Behney, near Pottstown, Sunday.

Guests of honor were Arthur W. Binns, chairman of the Valley Forge Council, and A. L. Sorenson, Scout Executive.

Dr. Behney, chairman of the District Executive Committee, conducted the first part of the meeting, and L. B. Curtis, District Commissioner, the second.

Sorenson spoke on the financing of the Boy Scout organization, and called attention to the fact that most of the leaders are volunteer workers, who are unpaid. Registration fees paid by individual Scouts are used to defray the expenses of the national organization, he pointed out. Income of the Valley Forge Council comes largely from the United Campaign, he said. Additional income is received from contributions of sustaining members.

The Valley Forge Council, in addition to maintaining a central office in Philadelphia, has a field executive in each of the ten districts, to guide the volunteer workers.

The District Executive Committee determines general policies for the district. Contact with individual troops is maintained by the District Commissioner and his assistants through a staff of Neighborhood Commissioners.

Each troop is directed by a Scoutmaster and assistants, under the general supervision of a troop committee appointed by the sponsoring institution.

Camp packs, for boys between nine and two years old are directed by cubmasters. Activities for Senior Scouts, 15 years or older, include Sea Scouting, Air Scouting, and Explorer Scouting, under specially qualified leaders.

Among those present were William R. Oles, field executive, and Mrs. Oles, and George Davies, A. Morse Baker, Lester D. Olin, and Charles A. Wright, of the District Executive Committee. Representing the commissioners, in addition to Mr. Curtis, were Lester E. Langan, and Wesley Matthews, assistant district commissioners; and Carl O. Berger, W. L. Lanterman, D. M. Pruitt, W. L. Riddick, H. B. Roberts, and Melvin T. Thomsan, neighborhood commissioners.

Zoning Ordinance Puzzles Council

Suplee Says It Doesn't Say Where Garage Can Be Erected

George L. Suplee, building inspector, has discovered an omission in the new Narberth Borough zoning ordinance which may turn out to be flawed.

As he explained his predicament to councilmen at their meeting Monday night, the ordinance does not specify where a person's special garage can be erected.

Under the old ordinance a garage could be erected in the rear yard or along a side line of the lot, or under the old ordinance it could be erected along the party or side line but if it had windows it had to be set back five feet.

Monday night's meeting of council Suplee asked Louis A. Young, chairman of the building committee, what he should do if an application for a permit to erect a garage was received.

After discussing the matter with other councilmen they decided to ask Henry A. Frye, solicitor, for an interpretation and also take the matter up with Henry Harral, Lower Merion Township planning engineer, who helped framed the Borough's zoning ordinance.

Meanwhile Suplee said he would hold up the issuance of any more permits to erect garages until he received instructions on the ordinance.

Summer Suggestions for Home Gardeners

Most home gardeners are going to realize that July and August are two months which are critical. Dry weather will be here to stay and insect damage, at its peak, will keep gardeners busy.

One sure way of eliminating backaches and increasing crop yields is by taking advantage of mulches. To properly apply a mulch the garden should be carefully cultivated, all the weeds removed and then, leaves, grass clippings, straw or other similar materials spread evenly, several inches deep over the entire garden area. Not only will this eliminate the necessity of further cultivation and control of weeds but it will aid in equally distributing the soil moisture so it will do the most good and thereby increase crop yields.

Most people have now harvested their early vegetables and to get the most out of the garden, the vacant spaces should be promptly prepared and planted. Beans may be planted up to the middle of August, and corn, if planted in the next few days, will do well. Such vegetables as cabbage, kale, Chinese cabbage, turnips, beets and carrots should be planted around the middle of July for late harvest and storing. It is well to remember that Summer planted seed should be a little deeper than earlier plantings.

Bala Woman Hurt in Accident

Loses Race With Death to Hospital

Hurrying to Philadelphia Episcopal Hospital after being notified that her husband, a patient there, was dying, a Bala woman was injured Tuesday when her car was in collision with another car at Fifth St. and Lehigh Ave., that city.

Mrs. Frances Winslow, 28, of the Avenue Apartments, 830 Mower Rd. and City Line, and the guard, John Curry, 33, of 7034 Mower St., Philadelphia, were able to resume the trip after the collision but reached the hospital a few minutes after her husband, Robert Carey Winslow, died.

On her way to the hospital, Mrs. Winslow picked up Curry and got her through traffic because of the emergency, police said.

The collision occurred about two blocks from the hospital. The other driver, Charles D. Barr, of 2446 16th Ave., Philadelphia, was not hurt. Mrs. Winslow was suffering from shock, caused by both the collision and the death of her husband. Curry was treated for cuts of the head and face.

Training in Florida



A/C R. C. DEGERBERG

Aviation Cadet Robert C. Degeberberg, 24, son of Mr. George W. Degeberberg, 64 Ravenna Rd., Merion, has been transferred from the Naval Air Station, Bunker Hill, Indiana, to the Naval Air Training Center, Pensacola, Fla. Upon completion of his course, he will receive his Navy "Wings of Gold" and will be designated a Naval Aviator. He will be commissioned an Ensign in the Naval Reserve. A Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps Reserve.

Sally Sloan Sets Swimming Records

Results Listed in Fourth Meet At Colonial Village

Records continued to fall as Colonial Village Swimming Club held its fourth weekly swimming meet. Sally Sloan, of Wynnewood, an outstanding performer on Lower Merion High School's undefeated swimming team, set two new records in the 50 yd. and 100 yd. free style races for Senior girls; Dudley Foster, of Stratford, reduced his own previous record of 1 min. 28 sec. to 1 min. 17 sec. in the 100 yd. free style race open class to 1 min. 24.5 seconds and also bettered Jack O'Donnell's previous record time of 1 min. 33 sec. when he covered the distance in 1 min. 25.1 seconds in the Senior boys division.

In the Junior division, Miss Dana Lamb of Wayne replaced Miss Allison Buckley as the record holder with a time of 17.1 second in the 25 yd. free style race; and Art Beamish of Wynnewood lowered the record for the 25 yd. free style race to 16.6 seconds in the 25 yd. free style race.

Junior girls, 25 yd. free style: Dana Lamb, Wayne, first; Jeanne Skeels, Norristown, second; Hanna Roberts, Wayne, third, Time—17.1 seconds. (new record)

Junior boys, 25 yd. free style: Art Beamish, Wynnewood, first; Joe Gallagher, Wayne, second; Fred Aldridge, Wayne, third, Time—16.6 seconds. (new record)

Boys, 100 yds., open class: Dudley Foster, Stratford, first; Art Beamish, Wynnewood, second; Tom Gatson, Bala, third, Time—1 min. 24.5 seconds. (new record)

Girls, 100 yds., open class: Sally Sloan, Wynnewood, first; Hanna Roberts, Wayne, second; Maine LeBoutillier, Wayne, third, Time—1 min. 40.6 seconds. (new record)

Senior boys, 100 yds. free style: Dudley Foster, Stratford, first; Robert Lipp, Paoli, second; Sam Milliken, Wynnewood, third, Time—min. 25.1 seconds. (new record)

Senior girls, 50 yds., free style: Sally Sloan, Wynnewood, first; Sally Cook, Ardmore, second; Dana Lamb, Wayne, third, Time—40.3 seconds. (new record)

Junior girls, diving: Dana Lamb, Wayne, first; Connie Aldridge, Wayne, second; Pat Kelso, Norristown, third.

Junior boys, diving: Jay McClatchey, Valley Forge, first; Joe Gallagher, Wayne, second; Paul McClatchey, Valley Forge, third.

D. A. R. Member Succumbs at Home

The Dr. Benjamin Rush Chapter, D. A. R., regrets the loss of a very able member, Mrs. Grace Perry Anderson, widow of Stewart Anderson, who passed away July 4th at her home, 102 Avon Rd., Narberth.

She became a member of the Narberth Chapter in 1927, serving as a Director, and later as Chairman, of "Real Daughters."

Not only was Mrs. Anderson active in D. A. R. work but also she was a devoted mother, wife and friend. She was a member of the Camp and Hospital Committee of the Main Line Branch of American Red Cross.

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COUNCIL OPENS WAR ON RECKLESS BICYCLE RIDERS WHO RUN DOWN PEDESTRIANS --- DAMAGE STORES

Old Ordinance May Be Enforced To Keep Them Off Sidewalks; Suggest Building Wheel Racks In Station Circle

Narberth Borough Council heard reports Monday night that bicycle riders are running wild through town endangering pedestrians and damaging business properties.

Report Dog Bites With Council Action

At the monthly meeting of the Narberth Borough Council, Robert Cameron, in making the report of the public safety committee, stated that two more dog bites have been reported.

The notice recently given to every household in Narberth, concerning dogs running at large, has been fairly successful, but more drastic measures will be taken if residents do not fully observe the laws set forth in the notice.

Lou Young, council member, stated that if the people who are bitten do not take any action against the owner of the dog, then the council should take the necessary legal steps.

No definite action was taken by the council, however.

Urges Saving For Postwar Building

Harral Says Public Works Only Small Part of Problem

Henry D. Harral, planning engineer of Lower Merion Township, spoke last week at a meeting of the Men's Club of St. Faith's Church, Ardmore, on the subject of postwar planning activities throughout the state, in counties, boroughs and townships.

